# FRAUD Investigation Report

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# Fraud Investigation Report Summary April – June 2006

In California, fraud prevention and detection is an integral part of the overall management of public assistance programs. The fraud prevention program is administered at the local level by 58 county welfare departments. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is responsible for developing regulations and disseminating policy information/interpretation to local entities. Within the county welfare departments, the income and maintenance units have primary responsibility for determining eligibility and computing grant amounts. If fraud is suspected, the case is referred for investigation to the Special Investigative Unit (SIU). At the discretion of the county, the SIU may be placed in the county welfare department or within another county law enforcement agency such as the District Attorney's or Sheriff's Office. It is the responsibility of the SIU to conduct an investigation of such cases for the purpose of establishing whether or not evidence exists to support a charge of welfare fraud.

The Fraud Investigation Report provides statewide and county-specific fraud activity data on the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and Food Stamp programs. Investigation activity by the SIUs is reflected in this report. Data shown represents the most current statistics available at the time of publication.

The following three reports are the data sources for this publication, and are available on the CDSS Research and Data Reports (RADR) internet website at http://www.cdss.ca.gov/research.

- DPA 266 Fraud Investigation Activity Report April, May and June 2006
- CA 237 CW CalWORKs Cash Grant Caseload Movement Report April and May 2006 (May 2006 used for June 2006)
- DFA 256 Food Stamp Program Participation and Benefit Issuance Report April, May and June 2006

Unless otherwise stated, each data item in the publication is a quarterly rollup of three months of data from the DPA 266 – Fraud Investigation Activity Report.

# CalWORKs Statewide Highlights April – June 2006

### **Investigation Requests**

- 34,706 requests for investigation were received by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 11,569 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 2.43% of the 475,778 CalWORKs statewide caseload (monthly average during April June 2006).
- 34,053 investigation requests were accepted for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 34,706 investigation requests received.
  - > 20,000 (59%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program requests.
  - 5,696 (17%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
  - **5,314** (15%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, homeless assistance, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced warrants, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
  - > 3,043 (9%) were family (household) composition requests.
- **88,124** investigations were **available** during the quarter.
  - ▶ **54,071** (61%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
  - > 34,053 (39%) of the available investigations were accepted for investigation during the quarter.

# **Investigations Completed and the Results**

- 29,734 investigations were completed during the quarter. This is 34% of the 88,124 total investigations available.
  - 9,725 (33%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
  - > 20,009 (67%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 29,734 completed investigations, the results included:
  - 5,319 (18%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
  - ▶ 1,641 (6%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
  - ▶ 1,614 (5%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
  - 1.500 (5%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
  - 681 (2%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
  - **36** (.12%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
  - > 21 (.07%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.
  - Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the **29,734** are not shown in this report.

# **Prosecution Activity**

- 2,795 referrals were available to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
  - 2,171 (78%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
  - 624 (22%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- There were 2,795 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter.
  - 420 prosecutions were filed. This is 15% of the available prosecution referrals.
- There were 420 prosecutions filed by the District Attorney during the quarter.
  - ▶ 495 convictions were obtained. Some convictions obtained were from prosecutions filed in prior quarters.

### **Overpayments and Collections**

- \$4,310,122 fraud overpayments were identified during the guarter.
- \$4,933,909 collections were made during the quarter. Some collections obtained were from overpayments identified in prior quarters.

# Food Stamp Statewide Highlights April – June 2006

### **Investigation Requests**

- **53,159** requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of **17,720** investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents **2.18**% of the **811,402** Food Stamp statewide caseload (monthly average during **April June 2006**).
- **52,089** investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is **98**% of the **53,159** investigation requests received.
  - ▶ **28,008** (**54**%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program requests.
  - ▶ 10,110 (19%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
  - ▶ 10,046 (19%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, unreported
  - resources/assets, duplicate/replaced Food Stamps, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
  - > 3,925 (8%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 156,820 investigations were available during the quarter.
  - ▶ 104,731 (67%) of the available investigations were pending at the beginning of the guarter.
  - **52,089** (33%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

## **Investigations Completed and the Results**

- **48,299** investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is **31**% of the **156,820** total investigations available.
  - ▶ 14,890 (31%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
  - > 33,409 (69%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 48,299 completed investigations, the results included:
  - 7,534 (16%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
  - > 2,476 (5%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
  - > 2,466 (5%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
  - ▶ **2,370** (5%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
  - 962 (2%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
  - 54 (.11) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
  - **28** (.06%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.
  - Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the **48,299** are not shown in this report.

## **Prosecution Activity**

- 3,672 referrals were available to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
  - ▶ **2,867** (78%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter.
  - **805** (22%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- There were 3,672 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter.
  - ▶ **488 prosecutions** were filed. This is **13**% of the available prosecution referrals.
- There were 488 prosecutions filed by the District Attorney during the quarter.
  - > 537 convictions were obtained. Some convictions obtained were from prosecutions filed in prior quarters.

### **Overissuances and Collections**

- \$3,388,242 fraud overissuances were identified during the quarter.
- **\$2,533,248 collections** were made during the quarter. Some collections obtained were from overissuances identified in prior quarters.

# **Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Units**

# April - June 2006

Below is a listing of the locations of each county's Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Unit(s).

County	County Welfare Department	District Attorney's Office	County Welfare Department and District Attorney's Office	Sheriff's Office
Statewide	26	21	9	2
Alameda			<b>→</b>	+
Alpine	<b>✓</b>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Amador	•		✓	
Butte		<b>V</b>		
Calaveras			<b>✓</b>	
Colusa		~		
Contra Costa			<b>✓</b>	
Del Norte		~		
El Dorado	✓			
Fresno		<b>✓</b>		
Glenn	✓			
Humboldt	✓			
Imperial		<b>→</b>		
Inyo		<b>✓</b>		
Kern		✓		1
Kings	✓			<u> </u>
Lake				<b>Y</b>
Lassen				<b>Y</b>
Los Angeles			<b>→</b>	1
Madera	4	✓		
Marin	<b>V</b>			
Mariposa	<b>✓</b>			
Mendocino Merced	<b>✓</b>	. 4		
Modoc		<b>Y</b>		
Mono		<u> </u>		
Monterey		•	<b>→</b>	
Napa	<b>→</b>		<u> </u>	
Nevada	<u> </u>			
Orange	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b>		
Placer	<b>V</b>	<b>-</b>		
Plumas	¥			
Riverside	V			
Sacramento	· ·			
San Benito	<b>✓</b>			
San Bernardino	<b>V</b>			
San Diego	•	<b>V</b>		
San Francisco			<b>∀</b>	
San Joaquin		~		
San Luis Obispo	✓			
San Mateo	✓		-	
Santa Barbara		<b>✓</b>		
Santa Clara		<b>Y</b>		
Santa Cruz	✓			1
Shasta		✓		
Sierra	✓			
Siskiyou		✓		1
Solano	<b>✓</b>			<u> </u>
Sonoma	<b>✓</b>			
Stanislaus	<b>✓</b>			1
Sutter		. 4	✓	1
Tehama		<b>✓</b>		1
Trinity	✓	. 4		1
Tulare	.4	<b>→</b>		+
Tuolumne Ventura	<b>✓</b>	.4		+
Yolo		<b>→</b>	<b>✓</b>	+
Yuba	.4			+
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# **CalWORKs Tables**

TABLE 1
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
April - June 2006

			Aprii -	June 2006	Evidonos	to Support on	Investigations
County	CalWORKs	Investigation	n Requests	Investigations	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Pending End of
	Caseload <sup>a/</sup>	Received	Accepted	Completed	Sufficient	Not Sufficient	Quarter <sup>b/</sup>
Statewide	475,778	34,706	34,053	29,734	9,725	20,009	56,999
Alameda	19,844	671	671	605	280	325	
Alpine	7	0	0	0	0	0	
Amador	261	29	29	25	8	17	68
Butte	3,808	357	347	212	72	140	
Calaveras	389	212	212	212	63	149	
Colusa	210	19	19	17	2	15	
Contra Costa	9,050	248	226	284	154	130	
Del Norte	867	0	0	0	0	0	
El Dorado	1,035	42	32	64	22	42	
Fresno	24,019	255	255	298	109	189	
Glenn	490	182	182	132	46	86	
Humboldt	1,873	279	278	235	58	177	134
Imperial	3,758	109	109	93	41	52	
Inyo	157	29	29	0	0	0	
Kern	17,228	965	964	889	450	439	
Kings	2,634	614	614	617	198	419	268
Lake	1,147	66	66	62	32	30	
Lassen	494	54	54	55	9	46	
Los Angeles	155,102	8,729	8,391	7,837	2,044	5,793	
Madera	3,016	347	347	399	34	365	
Marin	984	38	38	24	9	15	
Mariposa	173	9	9	12	5	7	35
Mendocino	1,532	83	72	41	28	13	484
Merced	7,199	213	196	173	80	93	514
Modoc	196	68	68	62	31	31	
Mono	36	0	0	0	0	0	
Monterey	4,830	300	300	222	54	168	
Napa	564	34	34	18	8	10	
Nevada	551	7	5	4	3	1	70
Orange	16,440	1,747	1,747	1,577	985	592	
Placer	1,560	17	17	11	5	6	
Plumas	171	23	23	23	16	7	5
Riverside	19,720	5,272	5,252	5,235	627	4,608	
Sacramento	28,915	1,548	1,472	998	551	447	753
San Benito	682	37	37	29	13	16	
San Bernardino	31,384	3,515	3,515	1,713	952	761	
San Diego	23,680	2,838	2,778	2,735	693	2,042	
San Francisco	5,077	653	653	2,735	265	2,042	
San Joaquin	14,267	185	184	198	107	91	149
San Luis Obispo	14,267	100	100	133	44	89	
San Mateo	2,449	246	246		6	09	
	2,449 4,437	135	135	6			
Santa Barbara				136			143
Santa Clara	14,960	342	316	297	149		
Santa Cruz	2,219	359	351	430	115		
Shasta	3,287	221	221	259	151	108	
Sierra	43	0	0	0	0	0	
Siskiyou	863	195	195	215	90	125	
Solano	4,980	612	610	691	155		
Sonoma	2,939	93	93	89	39		
Stanislaus	9,272	912	879	480	257	223	
Sutter	1,237	198	198	175	81	94	47
Tehama	1,216	132	132	188	28	160	29
Trinity	206	23	23	17	1	16	43
Tulare	12,183	159	159	117	23	94	
Tuolumne	575	122	107	157	70		
Ventura	6,176	223	223	174	66		
Yolo	2,012	157	157	101	42	59	
Yuba	1,729	683	683	690	290	400	
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a/ Effective with the January 2003 report month, the source form (CA 237 CW) was changed to collect families data from Two Parent Families, Zero Parent Families, All Other Families, TANF Timed-Out Cases and Safety Net Cases. The data is a monthly average for the quarter. NOTE: County numbers may not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 June 2006 Item 7 Investigations pending at end of month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the *beginning* of the quarter, from DPA 266 April 2006 Item 4 was 54,071.

TABLE 2
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April - June 2006

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection 20,000	Income and Eligibility Verification System 5,696	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence 921	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other <sup>a/</sup>
Alameda	505	68	32	27	13	6	20
	_						
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	8	2	4	2	13
Butte	78	1	72	17	10	4	165
Calaveras	174	8	12	3	3	1	11
Colusa	0	0	5	11	0	0	3
Contra Costa	162	53	2	9	0	0	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	9	0	5	9	0	9
Fresno	81	41	79	32	18	0	4
Glenn	88	4	22	33	14	2	19
Humboldt	28	0	44	29	4	153	20
Imperial	28	0	32	15	30	1	3
Inyo	3	24	2	0	0	0	3
Kern	370	36	305	132	25	14	82
Kings	483		65		25	14	11
		1		26			
Lake	6	1	33	3	8	0	15
Lassen	36	0	10	0	2	6	0
Los Angeles	3,356	3,932	88	28	0	11	976
Madera	300	3	29	6	2	1	6
Marin	3	11	5	1	5	0	13
Mariposa	2	0	4	1	0	0	2 3 85
Mendocino	2	28	22	12	1	4	3
Merced	33	49	22	2	5	0	85
Modoc	54	1	5	1	3	1	3
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	99	1	4	3	80	3	110
Napa	2	0	11	4	2	8	7
Nevada	2	0	1	0	0	0	2
Orange	1,530	14	35	42	8	6	112
Placer	0	0	6	1	4	4	2
Plumas	14	1	4	2	2	0	0
Riverside	4,751	72	235	44	20	26	104
Sacramento	758	375	54	41	34	21	189
San Benito	0	2	4	15	2	2	12
San Bernardino	1,723	2	886	172	252	4	476
San Diego	2,624	54	29	21	9	2	39
San Francisco	97	544	0	0	0	0	12
San Joaquin	117	0	35	6	1	1	24 20
San Luis Obispo	26	3	30	7	13	1	
San Mateo	107	1	35		28	0	18
Santa Barbara	27	13	36	12	5	0	42
Santa Clara	209	43	39	19	1	0	5
Santa Cruz	309	3	14	3	4	1	17
Shasta	99	0	68	24	11	1	18
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	76	0	22	3	9	71	14
Solano	416	88	46	21	27	0	12
Sonoma	15	14	31	12	6	0	15
Stanislaus	208	162	276	22	136	6	69
Sutter	129	0	24	20	130	1	10
Tehama	28	1	42	17	12	4	10
	28		42			4	28 3 9
Trinity	6	1	6	1	4	2	3
Tulare	0	4	92	48	5	1	9
Tuolumne	86	0	6	5	2	1	7
Ventura	171	9	5	8	0	0	30
Yolo	69	16	35	16	3	1	17
Yuba	510	3	34	34	44	0	58

a/ "Other" includes homeless assistance, duplicate warrants, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 3
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS<sup>a/</sup>
April - June 2006

	Early Fraud	Refe	erred for		Benefits	Fraud Found,	
	(Denials/Benefits		Administrative	Restitution	Reduced or	No Adverse	Expiration
County	` Reduced/	Prosecution	Disqualification	Action	Discontinued	Financial	of Statutes
	Discontinuances)		Hearing	71011011	(Non-Early Fraud)	Impact	
Statewide	5,319	681	21	1,500	1,641	1,614	36
Alameda	254	92	0	13	1,041	7	3
Alpine	0	0	0	0	Ö	Ó	ő
Amador	0	0	0	0	2	10	0
Butte	72	4	2	3	22	3	1
Calaveras	51	0	0	0		4	0
Colusa	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Contra Costa	15	7	0	36	0	26	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	0	0	9	2	20	0
Fresno	22	35	18	0	37	0	4
Glenn	15	0	0	3		23	0
Humboldt	23	0	0	5	13	18	0
Imperial	10	4	0	0	4	4	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Kern	190	27	0	53	142	44	0
Kings	129	4	0	5	36	24	0
Lake	9	5	0	5	11	3	0
Lassen	6	0	0	0	5	0	0
Los Angeles	966	118	0	669	26	689	0
Madera	3	3	0	3	18	7	0
Marin	2	0	0	2	4	1	0
Mariposa	1	0	0	1	3	0	3
Mendocino	0	1	0	24	0	3	
Merced	4	13	0	13	46	4	3
Modoc	22	1	0	1	7	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Monterey	40	11	0	3	30	1	2
Napa	2	1	0	3	0	2	0
Nevada	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Orange	623	29	0	56	262	107	1
Placer	0	0	0	0	4	1	0
Plumas	5	0 27	0	ı.	2	8	0
Riverside Sacramento	490 393	27	0	98 58	4 78	8	
San Benito	393	0	0	3	9	0	3
San Bernardino	449	121	0	112	472	141	1
San Diego	527	21	0	77	0	97	0
San Francisco	0	4	0	1	0	0	3
San Joaquin	62	14	0	0	10	21	0
San Luis Obispo	21	14	0	21	28	6	
San Mateo	70	6	0			15	
Santa Barbara	7	18	0	29	24	9	
Santa Clara	90	15	0	15		27	3
Santa Cruz	93	13	0	7	14	0	
Shasta	54	10	1	22	31	33	2
Sierra	0	0	0	0		0	
Siskiyou	7	0	0	5	12	68	Ö
Solano	117	2	0	11	14	3	
Sonoma	8	1	0	25		35	
Stanislaus	86	13	0	34	134	55	0
Sutter	41	0	0	8		27	0
Tehama	8	1	0	3		7	0
Trinity	3	1	0	0		0	
Tulare	0	13	0	4	2	4	0
Tuolumne	23	8	0	6	7	26	0
Ventura	60	6	0	0		0	
Yolo	22	11	0	4	3	2	Ö
Yuba	222	9	0	20		20	Ö

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 1.

# TABLE 4 California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY April - June 2006

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available <sup>a/</sup>	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	624	2,795	420	173
Alameda	6	416	3	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	3	0	0
Butte	4	13	4	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	1	1	1	0
Contra Costa	0	17	3	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	10	0	0
Fresno	35	143	38	0
Glenn	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	0	3	1	0
Imperial	0	47	0	0
Inyo	0	4	0	0
Kern	29	82	29	8 2
Kings	4	7	2	2
Lake	4	13	2	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	118	445	87	14
Madera	2	2	2	0
Marin	0	4	0	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	5	0	0
Merced	13	53	6	3
Modoc Mono	1	2	2	0
	0 11	0 51		
Monterey	11	10	0	0
Napa Nevada	0	0	0	0
Orange	66	110	32	1
Placer	0	43	0	0
Plumas	0	1	0	0
Riverside	27	40	29	0
Sacramento	22	403	3	4
San Benito	0	6	0	0
San Bernardino	31	31	29	0
San Diego	21	29	21	0
San Francisco	4	101	4	0
San Joaquin	14	105	11	0
San Luis Obispo	100	259	1	132
San Mateo	6	6	6	0
Santa Barbara	18	18	13	5
Santa Clara	15	31	13	0
Santa Cruz	3	5	3	0
Shasta	10	26	21	2
Sierra	0	0	0	0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0
Siskiyou	0	5	2	0
Solano	2	147	2	0
Sonoma	1	8	1	0
Stanislaus	13	13	13	0
Sutter	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	1	2	0
Tulare	13	13	13	0
Tuolumne	8	8	3	0 0 0 0
Ventura	6	32	6	0
Yolo	11	11	11	0
Yuba	2	12	1	2

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2006 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May and June 2006's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

# TABLE 5 California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program PROSECUTION OUTCOMES<sup>a/</sup> April - June 2006

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	495	11	24	125	131	1	16	0
Alameda	7	0	0	0	25	0	0	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresno	47	1	0	0	3	0	0	0
Glenn	0	1	0	0	0	0		0
Humboldt	4	0	6	0	2	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kings	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Lake	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	98	0	0	0	9	Ō		0
Madera	7	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	1	0	0	0	0	0		0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merced	22	0	0	0	10	0	11	0
Modoc	0	0	1	0	0	0		0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	7	20	0	0	0
Napa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	17	2	0	13	1	1	0	0
Placer	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	49	0	0	50	2	0	0	0
Sacramento	10	0	0	0	0	0		0
San Benito	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	14	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
San Diego	26	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Francisco	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Joaquin	7	1	0	0	5	0	0	0
San Luis Obispo	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	4	0	0	0	0	0		0
Santa Barbara	16	0	5	0	1		1	0
Santa Clara	35	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	1	0	0			0	0	0
Shasta	6	5	0	0		0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Solano	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Sonoma	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stanislaus	25	0	0	25		0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	0	0					
Tulare	19	0	0					
Tuolumne	0		0	0			1	0
Ventura	6	0	Ŏ	Ĭ				
Yolo	16		0					
Yuba	0		7	1				

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 6
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD OVERPAYMENTS AND COLLECTIONS
April - June 2006

County	Fraud Overpayments Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$4,310,122	\$4,933,909
Alameda	82,753	426,903
Alpine	0	0
Amador	82	413
Butte	5,287	10,763
Calaveras	2,891	1,850
Colusa	0	563
Contra Costa	53,021	68,058
Del Norte	5,659	5,784
El Dorado	15,958	21,292
Fresno	130,701	184,870
Glenn	2,744	9,472
Humboldt		8,569
Imperial	689	0
Inyo	0	200
Kern	142,736	98,956
Kings	3,312	57,151
Lake	1,100	10,863
Lassen	8,148	2,212
Los Angeles	1,919,253	1,492,567
Madera	6,968	28,731
Marin	1,920	24,538
Mariposa	0	1,566
Mendocino	28,091	31,614
Merced	16,850	39,866
Modoc	6,591	650
Mono	0,591	030
Monterey	45,578	58,469
Napa	7,481	11,680
Nevada	0	9,134
Orange	159,066	117,952
Placer	0	17,561
Plumas	1,450	1,393
Riverside	200,928	318,953
Sacramento	132,989	176,592
San Benito	7,608	38,024
San Bernardino	200,154	20,785
San Diego	149,028	278,847
San Francisco	102,395	104,897
San Joaquin	102,333	95,795
San Luis Obispo	17,845	15,818
San Mateo	93,015	4,517
Santa Barbara	56,208	58,120
Santa Clara	130,079	419,036
Santa Cruz	19,673	2,411
Shasta	60,290	12,953
Sierra	841	146
Siskiyou	5,600	8,627
Solano	31,746	193,988
Sonoma	16,974	79,776
Stanislaus	136,929	230,995
Sutter	20,482	11,558
Tehama	0	995
Trinity	4,938	1,822
Tulare	111,237	12,911
Tuolumne	12,767	3,382
Ventura	561	34,492
Yolo	18,980	57,584
Yuba	22,510	7,247
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# **Food Stamp Tables**

# TABLE 7 Food Stamp Program FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS April - June 2006

			April - Julie		Evidence	to Support	
		Investigatio	n Paguaete		an Allegation of		Investigations
Country	Participating	ilivestigatio	ii Kequesis	Investigations	_		Pending End
County	Households <sup>a/</sup>	1		Completed	Fra	11444	
	Households	Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	of Quarter "
Statewide	811,402	53,159	52,089	48,299	14,890	33,409	107,719
Alameda <b>a</b> /	32,232	1,144	1,144	1,090	512	578	1,176
Alpine	35	1	1	0	0	0	0
Amador	520	55	55	53	14	39	82
Butte	7,244	463	453	298	88	210	1,018
Calaveras	762	515	515	515	146	369	0
Colusa	497	23	23	21	4	17	10
Contra Costa a/	12,953	341	312	383	208	175	241
Del Norte	1,726	0	0	0	0	0	71
El Dorado	1,904	54	41	100	38	62	401
Fresno	40,956	309	309	329	136	193	1,163
Glenn	865	269	269	196	71	125	366
Humboldt	4,985	361	360	313	85	228	154
Imperial	5,854	111	111	93	41	52	724
Inyo	447	29	29	0	0	0	80
Kern	27,846	1,383	1,382	1,311	785	526	680
Kings	5,503	785	785	782	240	542	334
Lake	2,277	126	126	131	71	60	130
Lassen al	845	86	86	84	12	72	20
Los Angeles	278,227	14,954	14,322	14,502	3,067	11,435	71,930
Madera	5,528	565	565	553	52	501	201
Marin	2,459	113	113	101	23	78	995
Mariposa	379	12	12	18	7	11	50
Mendocino	3,749	140	133	64	38	26	624
Merced	10,688	451	415	399	161	238	161
Modoc	329	168	168	118	65	53	77
Mono	120	0	0	0	0	0	2
Monterey	7,464	445	445	338	71	267	382
Napa	1,203	70	70	42	17	25	297
Nevada	1,082	14	12	12	11	1	88
Orange a/	30,872	2,392	2,392	2,198	1,269	929	820
Placer	2,562	17	17	12	6	6	192
Plumas	262	34	34	35	22	13	15
Riverside	27,812	9,174	9,149	8,973	1,101	7,872	2,301
Sacramento	42,893	1,269	1,185	1,095	648		2,163
San Benito	1,233	47	47	37	17	20	39
San Bernardino	47,001	3,364	3,364	2,757	1,447	1,310	820
San Diego	31,253	2,842	2,771	2,776	803	1,973	1,161
San Francisco	20,183	1,627	1,627	496	492	4	5,989
San Joaquin	19,795	212	211	224	122	102	160
San Luis Obispo a/	3,402	157	157	205	79	126	158
San Mateo	3,846	568	568	6	6	0	3,944
Santa Barbara a/	8,132	293	293	310	142	168	151
Santa Clara	25,720	1,006	973	959	431	528	386
Santa Cruz	5,252	1,065	1,058	1,082	196	886	775
Shasta	5,700	360	360	409	221	188	220
Sierra	75	0	0	0	0		0
Siskiyou	1,703	718	718	805	372	433	98
Solano	8,071	691	689	781	190		1,192
Sonoma	6,322	208	208	229	105		611
Stanislaus Sutter	15,027 2,167	1,496	1,463	608	338		2,922
		335	335 132	301	129 28	172 160	66 27
Tehama Tripity	2,071 416	132		188			90
Trinity		56 169	<u>56</u>	31	1 26	30 106	
Tulare Tuolumne	21,870	168	168	132	108		494
	1,274 11,322	255 263	172 263	242 221	79	134 142	43 430
Ventura <b>a/</b> Yolo						100	
	3,541 2,944	259	259	182	82		952 43
Yuba	2,944	1,164	1,164	1,159	467	692	43

a/ Data is the monthly average of the Federal and State Public Assistance and Nonassistance Food Stamp participating households from the DFA 256 report. NOTE: County numbers may not add to Statewide total due to rounding. Prior data used for Alameda (Jun06 used for Apr06 & May06), Contra Costa (Jun06 used for Apr06 & May06), Cantra Costa (Jun06 used for Apr06 & May06), Lassen (used May06 for Apr06), Orange (used Feb06 for Apr, May, Jun06), San Luis Obispo (used Apr06 for May06), Santa Barbara (used May06 for Apr06), Ventura (used Apr06 for May06 & Jun06).

b/ Data is from DPA 266 June 2006 Item 7 Investigations pending at the end of the month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the beginning of the quarter from DPA 266 April 2006 Item 4 was 104,731.

TABLE 8
Food Stamp Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April - June 2006

1	1		April - June 2	.000	1	1	
County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other <sup>a/</sup>
Statewide	28,008	10,110	3,925	1,530	1,898	624	5,994
Alameda	564	71	32	28	15	7	427
Alpine	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	11	5	6	8	25
Butte	89	1	90	23	74	5	171
Calaveras	451	11	19	5	6	2	21
Colusa	0	0	7	11	0	0	5
Contra Costa	187	108	4	13	0	0	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	1	9	0	5	10	0	16
Fresno	98	49	92	39	23	0	8
Glenn	131	9	26	54	20	8	21
Humboldt	28	0	73	32	4	158	65
Imperial	30	0	32	15	30	100	3
Inyo	3	24	2	0	0	0	0
Kern	636	56	341	148	34	18	149
Kings	634	1		37	32		
	11	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	72			1	8 38
Lake		5	50	8	14	0	
Lassen	66	0.754	101	1	10	2	0
Los Angeles	5,328	6,751	104	196	0	11	1,932
Madera	500	5	34	12	3	3	8
Marin	5	23	5	2	6	0	72
Mariposa	3	0	4	1	0	0	4
Mendocino	3	59	37	14	4	4	12
Merced	50	76	33	2	12	0	242
Modoc	143	1	12	3	4	2	3
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	125	1	3	2	95	2	217
Napa	4	0	15	7	4	10	30
Nevada	7	0	2	1	0	0	2
Orange	2,078	18	38	52	13	6	187
Placer	0	0	6	1	4	4	2
Plumas	24	1	5	2	2	0	0
Riverside	8,232	99	533	56	18	29	182
Sacramento	460	461	29	18	10	7	200
San Benito	0	6	5	15	2	4	15
San Bernardino	1	4	1,096	235	869	4	1,155
San Diego	2,580	118	29	28	9	2	5
San Francisco	159	1,410	0	0	1	0	57
San Joaquin	133	0	35	7	1	2	33
San Luis Obispo	40	5	33	19		1	25
San Mateo	253	2	42	99		1	
Santa Barbara	155	21	36	16	5	1	78 59
Santa Clara	855	54	40	20	1	0	3
Santa Cruz	1,022	5	10	3		1	14
Shasta	191	0	84	35	18	1	31
Sierra	0	0	04			0	0
			<u>0</u> 51	0	0	293	
Siskiyou	325	0		7	30		12
Solano	461	104	50	24	29	0	21
Sonoma	16	59	33	13	/	0	80
Stanislaus	252	424	400	36	210	7	134
Sutter	257	0	28	33	16	1	0
Tehama	28	1	42	17	12	4	28
Trinity	13	2	5	3	10	5	18
Tulare	0	3	96	47	6	2	14
Tuolumne	122	2	8	8		3	22
	407	11	4	10	0	0	51
Ventura	187		7		U	0	0 1
	187 137 930	27 12	44	26 36	4	1	20 69

a/ "Other" includes replaced lost Food Stamps, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

# TABLE 9 Food Stamp Program INVESTIGATION RESULTS<sup>a/</sup> April - June 2006

	I	D-C	April - June 2		I	1	1
County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Prosecution	Hearing	Restitution Action	Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)		Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	7,534	962	28	2,370		2,476	54
Alameda	483	178	0	16		5	5
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	6	23	0
Butte	88	7	1	3	36	3	1
Calaveras	130	0	0	0		5	0
Colusa Contra Costa	0 29	1 8	0	67	1 0	23	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0		0	0
El Dorado	5	0	0	8	6	34	0
Fresno	26	44	19	0		0	6
Glenn	16	1	0	3		41	0
Humboldt	35	0	0	7	25	20	Ö
Imperial	10	4	0	0	4	4	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Kern	437	34	0	95	172	60	0
Kings	157	6	0	9	40	28	0
Lake	30	5	0	9	14	7	0
Lassen	8	1	0	0	4	0	0
Los Angeles	1,350	155	0	1,002	87	1,058	0
Madera	3	7	0	7	26	9	0
Marin	5	0	0	4	13	1	0
Mariposa	1	0	0	2	4	0	5
Mendocino	0	1	0	32	1	4	3
Merced	5	21	0	20	110	5	4
Modoc	54	1	0	1	7	2	0
Mono Monterey	0 67	0 11	0	3		0	0
Napa	9	1	0	3	0	3	0
Nevada	9	0	0	0	2	0	0
Orange	786	31	0	87	347	97	0
Placer	0	0	0	0	5	1	0
Plumas	8	0	0	1	3	10	0
Riverside	899	37	0	152	4	9	2
Sacramento	380	26	0	119	123	0	2
San Benito	2	2	0	3	10	0	0
San Bernardino	271	185	0	173	744	67	1
San Diego	560	23	5	159	0	97	0
San Francisco	0	4	0	1	0	0	4
San Joaquin	71	14	0	0	17	23	0
San Luis Obispo	29	4	0	41		12	0
San Mateo Santa Barbara	121 49	6 25	0	46 55		27 18	0
Santa Barbara Santa Clara	198	17	0	55 26	2	188	3
Santa Cruz	164	0		12		0	0
Shasta	87	13	2	26	44		4
Sierra	0	0		0		0	0 0
Siskiyou	66	0	0	5		270	0
Solano	137	3	0	14		3	9
Sonoma	8	1	0	46	13	86	9 2 0 0
Stanislaus	118	14		51	173	65	0
Sutter	80	0	0	10	8	36	0
Tehama	8	1	0	3	9	7	0
Trinity	8	1	0	0		2	0
Tulare	0	16		4	2	4	0
Tuolumne	35	9		14			0
Ventura	71	8	0	0		0	0
Yolo	44	23	0			3	0
Yuba	377	13	0	20	39	18	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 7.

# TABLE 10 Food Stamp Program DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY April - June 2006

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available a/	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	805	3,672	488	258
Alameda	8	318	3	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	5	0	0
Butte	5	16	4	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	1	1	1	0
Contra Costa	0	14	3	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	10	0	0
Fresno	44	107	47	0
Glenn	1	1	1	0
Humboldt	0	3	<u></u>	0
Imperial	0	48	0	0
	0	40	0	0
Inyo				
Kern	35	94	34	7
Kings	6	10	2	4
Lake	5	16	2	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	155	1,184	92	15
Madera	6	6	6	0
Marin	0	5	0	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	9	0	0
Merced	21	82	16	11
Modoc	1	3	3	0
Mono	0	0	0	0
Monterey	11	56	0	0
Napa	1	12	0	0
Nevada	0	1	0	0
Orange	64	102	32	0
Placer	0	52	0	0
Plumas	0	2	0	0
Riverside	37	56	40	0
Sacramento	26	316	4	3
San Benito	20	12	0	2
San Bernardino	34	34	33	0
San Diego	23	75	15	0
San Francisco	4	147	4	0
San Joaquin	14			0
	157	140		
San Luis Obispo San Mateo		363 8	4	201
	7		6	0
Santa Barbara	25	25	15	10
Santa Clara	23	39	14	0
Santa Cruz	0	0	0	0
Shasta	13	33	25	1
Sierra	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	5	2	0
Solano	3	143	2	0
Sonoma	1	9	1	1
Stanislaus	14	14	14	0
Sutter	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	1	2	0
Tulare	16	16	16	0
Tuolumne	9	11	3	0
Ventura	8	29	8	1
Yolo	21	21	21	
Yuba	2	14	1	0 2

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2006 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May and June 2006's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

# TABLE 11 Food Stamp Program PROSECUTION OUTCOMES<sup>a/</sup> April - June 2006

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	537	14	38	140	128	1	21	1
Alameda	7	0	0	0	26	0	0	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fresno	56	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
Glenn	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	4	0	5	0	2	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	1	ő	0	0	
Kern	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kings	8	0	3	0	0	0	1	
Lake	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	96	0	0	0	7	0	0	
Madera			5	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	7	2			0			
	1	0	0	0		0	0	
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merced	23	0	0	0	11	0	13	0
Modoc	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	1	0	1	5	23	0	0	0
Napa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Orange	19	2	0	20	2	1	0	0
Placer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	56	0	0	57	3	0	0	0
Sacramento	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
San Benito	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	18	0	0	0	11	0	0	0
San Diego	25	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Francisco	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Joaquin	8	1	0	0	5	0	0	0
San Luis Obispo	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	17	0	10	0		0	2	0
Santa Clara	33	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Shasta	7	5	0	0	2	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Siskiyou	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Solano	6	0	0	0		0	0	0
Sonoma	2	0	0	0		0		
Stanislaus	24	0	0	24		0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	0	9	0	0		
Tehama	0	0	0			0		
Trinity	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Tulare	21	0	0			0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0		0	3	0
Ventura	5	0	0			0		0
Yolo	20	0	0			0		
Yuba	0		10			0	0	0
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a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

# TABLE 12 Food Stamp Program FRAUD OVERISSUANCES AND COLLECTIONS April - June 2006

County	Fraud Overissuances Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$3,388,242	\$2,533,248
Alameda	47,103	124,907
Alpine	0	0
Amador	39	114
Butte	2,722	13,693
	873	
Calaveras		2,228
Colusa	0	3,669
Contra Costa	51,916	45,817
Del Norte	5,367	11,420
El Dorado	13,780	21,372
Fresno	128,862	100,784
Glenn	4,019	7,802
Humboldt	0	9,039
Imperial	1,026	0
Inyo	0	0
Kern	342,883	76,834
Kings	7,726	51,858
Lake	1,741	4,400
Lassen	1,504	296
Los Angeles	973,490	162,992
Madera	8,545	33,571
Marin	1,206	10,861
Mariposa	0	2,848
Mendocino	25,386	33,296
Merced	27,806	75,278
Modoc	1,210	1,210
Mono	1,210	1,210
Monterey	20,903	30,403
Napa	3,837	10,685
Nevada	0	7,415
Orange	127,359	78,769
Placer	0	7,209
Plumas	393	3,052
Riverside	200,460	257,817
Sacramento	140,660	72,324
San Benito	6,552	17,828
San Bernardino	244,893	30,197
San Diego	147,804	60,232
San Francisco	101,350	75,268
San Joaquin	54,795	54,092
San Luis Obispo	12,677	9,718
San Mateo	53,323	3,055
Santa Barbara	54,028	109,423
Santa Clara	92,182	336,495
Santa Cruz	12,884	1,416
Shasta	37,970	14,723
Sierra	1,114	125
Siskiyou	8,100	8,794
Solano	15,078	111,564
Sonoma	22,632	49,308
Stanislaus	169,355	291,226
Sutter	18,171	10,655
Tehama	0	811
Trinity	2,961	789
Tulare	86,120	23,768
Tuolumne	15,540	4,358
Ventura	32,904	3,821
Yolo	33,321	48,150
Yuba	23,673	5,470



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